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**FEE TRANSMITTAL****for FY 2005**☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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## Complete if Known

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## 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	Fee (\$)	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
		Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100		
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65		
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80		
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300		
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0		

## 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

## Fee Description

	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20, or for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

**Total Claims**      **Extra Claims**      **Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**      **Multiple Dependent Claims**

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HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

**Indep. Claims**      **Extra Claims**      **Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

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## 4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other: Statutory Disclaimer Fee

130.00

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